



## The County of Los Angeles invites applications for MEDICAL DIRECTOR, FIRE

(Payroll Title: PHYSICIAN SPECIALIST, EMERGENCY MEDICINE)

### THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

*The County of Los Angeles Fire Department has a rich and unique history, which is full of innovation and many accomplishments. From designing the 911 system and initiating a paramedic program in the 1970's, to the current day USAR and Homeland Security sections, Los Angeles County's Fire department is a leader and model to other departments around the world. Their ability to develop new techniques and equipment to fight fires of all kinds, has benefited not only the residents served, but the fire service in general, both nationally and internationally.*

*The current departmental budget is over \$1B and includes funding for 3,964 positions.*

### THE POSITION

The Medical Director reports to and receives administrative direction from the Fire Chief, and provides specialized medical direction in the development and administration of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system operations and related support programs, to ensure efficient and timely delivery of quality emergency medical care.

The new Medical Director identifies system quality improvement and implements best practices. In addition, the incumbent serves as the liaison between the District, other physicians, the local and State EMS Agency, and the Los Angeles County Departments of Health Services and Public Health.



### DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience working in an Emergency Room; Base Station Hospital, or Pre-hospital Care.
- Professional experience in the EMS industry, preferably within a metropolitan area; experience to include trauma care, disaster medical services, and emergency medical research.
- Completion of an EMS Medical Director Training Course.

### SELECTION REQUIREMENTS

Completion of a residency approved by an American Specialty Board and board certification in Emergency Medicine by the American Board of Emergency Medicine.

LICENSE: California State Physician and Surgeon's Certificate authorized by the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of California.

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## EXAMPLE OF DUTIES

- Provides leadership and management in the planning, implementation, and monitoring of the EMS medical program and related activities, to ensure quality emergency medical care delivery systems.
- Oversees the Department's EMS program and ensures mechanisms are in place for Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT); Paramedics (EMT-P); and other medically certified personnel, to remain compliant with pre-hospital care policies and procedures, and to ensure those mechanisms result in appropriate patient outcomes.
- Evaluates the overall EMS system performance, and identifies resource needs, and/or significant operational and/or administrative problems.
- Develops , implements, and evaluates corrective action plans.
- Provides continuous program leadership and management to improve the overall quality of the EMS medical system.
- Coordinates the scope of practice changes for EMS personnel with State and local entities.
- Participates in the creation and approval of policies and procedures, including treatment protocols and destination policies.
- Designs, approves, and oversees field treatment protocols.
- Manages and ensures compliance with pre-hospital care guidelines and pre-arrival instructions.
- Conducts and approves scientific and trial studies of efficacy of modalities or equipment.
- Develops appropriate measurement systems to ensure quality EMS training; recommends and implements revisions to EMS training when merited.
- Directs and ensures mechanisms are in place for proper acquisition, storage and distribution procedures of medical supplies and pharmaceuticals, and the delivery of inoculations to the field personnel.
- Manages the Quality Improvement/Assurance process and ensures integration of aggregated data into Department training modules.
- Responds to the Department's Disaster Operations Center and provides overall medical direction in disaster situations.
- Provides medical direction to Department personnel, including the Chief of the EMS Program; Director of Training; Nurse Educators and other personnel, as appropriate.
- Functions as the subject matter expert on investigations related to allegations of pre-hospital care policy and/or procedure violations; recommends actions to be imposed on any pre-hospital care personnel, including action on sponsorship, as necessary.
- Serves as a member or chairperson on advisory committees on medically related councils; committees; task forces and/or other boards, as approved by the Fire Chief.
- Serves as liaison to various medically professional organizations.



## FILING PERIOD

August 5, 2014 - Until the Position is Filled

Applications received by August 19, 2014 will receive first consideration.

## ANNUAL SALARY

\$150,024—\$263,076

## FILING INSTRUCTIONS

All applicants are required to submit a Standard County of Los Angeles Employment Application ONLINE only. Applications will not be accepted by mail, fax, or in person. To view the complete details of this announcement, click on the following link:

[MedDirFire](#)

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